

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2001

**Agency: Independence Police Dept.**

**Population: 89,190**

age 16 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	17885	15383	1656	463	106	18	125
Searches	1649	1247	291	83	9	0	0
Arrests	1615	1196	317	76	9	0	8
Statewide population %	N/A	85.24	10.25	1.85	1.17	0.41	1.08
Local population %	N/A	91.73	2.12	3.08	1.10	0.57	1.40
Disparity index	N/A	0.94	4.36	0.84	0.54	0.18	0.50
Search rate	9.22	8.11	17.57	17.93	8.49	0.00	0.00
Contraband hit rate	17.83	19.25	15.12	9.64	22.22	#Error	#Error
Arrest rate	9.03	7.77	19.14	16.41	8.49	0.00	6.40

**Notes:** Population figures are from the 2000 Census for persons 16 years of age and older who designated a single race. Hispanics may be of any race. Other includes persons of mixed race and unknown race.

Disparity index = (proportion of stops / proportion of population). A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation, values less than 1 indicate under-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

Contraband hit rate = (searches with contraband found / total searches) X 100.

Arrest rate = (arrests / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	12229	10988	775	240	71	14	83
	Equipment	1950	1572	265	72	8	2	11
	License	4358	3312	764	185	23	4	32
Stop outcome	Citation	15225	13245	1317	372	86	12	102
	Warning	3260	2607	450	119	23	7	30
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	431	358	51	15	3	0	1
	US hwy	2736	2206	387	88	11	2	20
	State hwy	4734	4047	470	121	35	9	29
	County road	16	14	2	0	0	0	0
	City street	9719	8580	722	229	55	6	72
	Other	88	59	20	5	1	1	1
Driver gender	Male	10791	9156	1044	365	75	11	79
	Female	6566	5815	555	80	31	7	46
Driver age	17 and under	1130	1027	69	12	6	2	8
	18-29	8096	6034	817	270	53	8	61
	30-39	4059	3464	402	120	23	2	25
	40 and over	4364	3879	346	59	24	6	29

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	585	490	77	11	1	0	0
	Inventory	368	252	77	33	3	0	0
	Drug/alcohol odor	210	169	28	8	1	0	0
	Incident to arrest	1058	772	211	57	6	0	0
	Plain view contraband	74	58	8	1	1	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	64	53	6	2	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	19	16	3	0	0	0	0
	Other	38	29	8	0	1	0	0
What searched	Driver	1608	1196	302	85	9	0	0
	Car/property	1586	1191	285	80	8	0	0
Search duration	0-15 minutes	1768	1320	326	91	9	0	0
	16-30 minutes	105	82	16	4	0	0	0
	31+ minutes	10	9	1	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	283	231	41	4	1	0	0
	Currency	5	4	1	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	38	28	8	2	0	0	0
	Stolen property	19	12	7	0	0	0	0
	Other	87	68	9	3	1	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	811	572	202	27	0	0	0
	Drug violation	211	182	27	2	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	42	35	4	2	0	0	0
	Offense against person	22	13	3	1	0	0	0
	DWI/BAC	158	136	15	3	0	0	0
	Property offense	42	34	6	2	0	0	0
	Other	716	481	163	55	0	0	0

## Agency response

The Independence Police Department, an internationally accredited law enforcement agency, by policy and practice, does not tolerate any form of bias-based profiling. The racial makeup of our motoring public does not reflect the resident population, due to our proximity to Kansas City and other neighboring cities with significant minority populations. Other factors include major east/west thoroughfares entering Independence, including I-70, KCMO public schools in Independence, major retail shopping and entertainment centers where residents of neighboring cities feel safe, and a noticeable lack of IA complaints from drivers citing profiling as a basis for being stopped.